THE WEATHER
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Dothan's Population: 1890, 217; 1900, 3,275; 1910, 7,018; 1920, 20,000. "For I Heard Them Say Let us go to Dothan"

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O'NEAL'S STATEMENT ABOUT STATE NOT LOSING A CENT IS TERMED "FLAPDOODLE"

Big Loss Could Have Been Prevented It is Said, When Star Chamber Probe was Held,—Birmingham Bankers Heard.

Montgomery, Ala., March 23. The statement of Governor O'Neal that the State of Alabama will not lose a cent because of the heavy defalcations in the convict department is looked upon by many prominent citizens as mere flapdoodle, by the way, defined by Webster as "food for fools; hence, merely specious talk; humbug sense."

That the banks will be able to pay the government's claim is not questioned, but the general opinion is that the state will not be able to recover, though it will be put to a lot of expense in the attempt.

Only First Samaritan.

In the beginning the governor was sure that the state would not lose anything because Charley Bell of the department, "would first make good the shortage." It was discovered later that Bell did not own enough property within reach of the state to amount to cover the defalcations, and so the banks that will have to make up the shortage. Some such arrangement may be some other institution or individuals, as there is a decided reluctance to grab at straws in the lines of cities. The Bell case remains that the money is gone, little real prospect of recovery from any source unless lady luck intervenes and hands over the cash be secured from the gorgeous Salinas back which dent Oakley rolls the local application for cash it over missing check.

Criticism Grows.

In the meantime criticism of the neglectful check in the convict department is growing. Some attention was valued to alleged of wrongdoing in the department and a star chamber investigation was held that result in nothing more than informed activity in the whitewash method. Well informed men are convinced that there was ample opportunity for those in authority to become informed as to the real conditions in the department, but no one seems to have been authorized to bring out the truth. Had it been brought out then the loss would have amounted to a comparatively small amount.

All the while the state has been in sore financial straits and the question is asked, "Why, if the convict department not required to turn funds over to the state treasurer without delay?" The money was surely needed but it is pointed out there was no authorized demand for the prompt delivery of the money that it could be utilized by the state in meeting obligations. Had the funds been claimed promptly accumulations would not have been possible, it is said, and the state could not have reaped such handsome portions.

Montgomery, Ala., March 23. (Staff Correspondent of the Ledger appeared in Montgomery Wednesday evening with the story of an extra session, together with impeachment talk, it created a sensation and there were lively conferences among those who opposed an extra session.

Gov. O'Neal is determined to have an extra session. He did not comment on the impeachment talk. He said that the preliminary probe of the convict department was thorough and that it was not necessary for the legislature to probe it. He refused to comment on the first "probe" of the convict department in which Tom Loss was charges and which was a "star chamber" affair.

Loss's resignation was accepted and he was given a chance to resign rather than be prosecuted. Bell was given a chance to resign and he did so. The state auditor and treasurer were ordered to make a complete check of the convict department and it was found that Bell was short $100,000 and Loss was short $50,000. Bell was indicted and Loss was not. Bell was tried and convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of years. Bell was released on a bond of $50,000 and he died a few weeks later. Loss was not indicted. Bell's death left the state without a chance to recover the money he had taken from the convict department.

Legislators Shocked.

Legislators were shocked at the disclosures and the question was asked why the convict department was not required to turn over the money to the state treasurer without delay. The law was clear on the point and it was found that Bell had violated the law in not turning over the money to the state treasurer. Bell said he was in the habit of using the money in his business and was able to replace it when called upon to do so. He said that he was able to do so because he was a "good Christian" and was able to borrow the money from his friends. With his death the state was left without a chance to recover the money. Governor O'Neal has been criticized for his statement that the state would not lose a cent because of the defalcations, and he has been charged with being a friend of Bell's family and that he was trying to help the family out of the trouble. The governor denies that he was influenced by any such motive and says he was only trying to save the state from the loss of a large sum of money. The governor said that

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When the police have a clew the people feel at ease

Law boys ever object to anything on the ground that it makes too much fuss

About ten per cent of the shoes you see on the streets walk like their shoes hurt their feet

Some people look like they are never hungry while others look the opposite

GIVE EAR.

Having been raised and brought up with flies you probably think you know enough about him But this is a mistake We can all learn something of him and his nature and his record.

Tomorrow we are to have a man in our town whose business it will be to tell us something of flies It is our duty to go to the court house tomorrow evening and hear Dr Oscar Dowling, state health officer of Louisiana

He comes to Dothan, which is almost his old home, so many of the people here are his old friends at the solicitation of both the City Improvement Club and the officials of Dothan

And he knows many other things outside of how the fly should be exterminated He will say something on general sanitation no doubt

It will be Saturday, and a busy day with many of the people, but they should try to attend the meeting for an hour It will be an hour that will bear fruit in the future

MR BRYAN'S ARRIVAL.

Nebraska State Journal

If Nebraska seems apathetic over the honor of furnishing a premier for the new cabinet, the only cold cut plate save one this state ever filled, it is no lack of friendly regard for Mr Bryan We have accustomed ourselves to thinking of Mr Bryan in connection, to be on a mountain top, but if it was keeping at a star that brought us there we are calmer than we otherwise should be Besides, Mr Bryan has so long been a national character that we have granted territorial rights in him to the other states claimin nothing exclusive for ourselves

When James G Blaine himself a defeated candidate, accepted the state portfolio under Harrison in 1889 he remarked that this post was not beneath the dignity of a defeated aspirant for the presidency William H Seward felt the same when he took this office at the hands of the man who beat him for the presidential nomination Daniel Webster did not refuse the office when his successful rival for the whig nomination offered it to him Why should anybody of whatever aspiration of previous achievement refuse a seat that has been held by Thomas Jefferson, Edmund Randolph, John Marshall James Madison, James Monroe Henry Clay John Quincy Adams Martin Van Buren Daniel Webster John C Calhoun Edward Everett, Lewis Cass William H Seward and James G Blaine? The boy orator of the Platte is secretary of state Mr Bryan's past twenty three years have made him a permanent place as a strong figure in American political history His name now is to be registered where even future generations that study history only by catalogue will find it—in the list headed by Thomas Jefferson Mr Bryan's patron political saint

To the prophet it looks as if, at least all, the crucial period of Mr Bryan's long career now is just be[illegible] For the first time in his career he [illegible] a place [illegible] the station the president Now he is the chief adviser of a government and personally responsible for its foreign relations Moreover he now is what he never yet has been a subordinate and subordinate to a man much indebted to him for his place Will he be a patronizing superior or a plotting, ill time or a [illegible] at Bryan There look scores will do more to reveal Mr Bryan's real nature than the [illegible] of any other [illegible] Mr Bryan will be on [illegible] when we banquet on his coming birthday Points of date to the president will it his firmness stands the approaching test

IT IS THE LAW

State Treasurer Hartley has been credited as saying that he did not think that the law requires any specific time for remittances or settlement with the treasurer and that he had known of this weakness in the convict system for a long time

The employment of the word think in this connection I remember in the case of a treasurer who should know what the law requires in respect to payments to be made to him as treasurer It appears that the treasurer is ignorant of a law that had it been observed might have stopped the Lacy default or at least saved the state a great part of the loss suffered by reason of the default The law which is section 6499 of the code says

On the first day of each month the president of the board shall cause to be made out by the clerk an account against each contractor showing the number of convicts and the amount of hire due from each contractor for the past month copies of which shall be furnished respectively to the contractors and the state auditor

Within ten days after receiving such accounts such contractors respectively shall settle and pay such accounts to the president of the board and the president of the board shall with quarterly settlements with the state auditor for the proceeds of such accounts and the amount due by each shall be certified into the state treasury

Accordingly at least four times a year the treasurer should receive the money from the auditors office and must have been constructively aware that the money had or had not been paid in according to law.

One may ask why this thinking on the part of the treasurer is left to a business quite plainly described in the code? Can it be that the treasurer partook of the general carelessness that we see displayed by the president of the convict department and by the governor himself, who is required by law to exercise general superintendence over the convict system and specially instructed to require the office of the president by the board to be examined from time to time and its condition reported to him by the examiner of public accounts

The Lacy default is asserted to have begun nearly two years ago perhaps earlier no one knows

From time to time does not mean once in a year or two Mobile Register

Appropriations

This from Dry Kansas

A Methodist bishop asked a negro bell boy at a hotel in Lawrence Kansas for a drink and the boy brought him a bottle of whiskey Now there is going to be an investigation because it was thought Kansas was dry Montgomery Journal

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Don't Come, Write

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo has notified applicants for jobs to write him a letter and not call in person The secretary knows what to do with a letter but he hardly knows what to do with an applicant who presents himself around Valdosta (Ga.) Times

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'Partial Post

I don't get no thin by the partials post said a discontented one a few days ago No said a friend, you have that down wrong It is the parcels post Is that it? said the party of the first part I thought it was the 'partials' [illegible] Now get all of the [illegible] Troy Messenger

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Investigating the Whole Thing

There is to be a thorough investigation of the convict system of this state and done so to the interest but as to the future of convicts the way is not clear The idea seems to be [illegible] Mr Bryan [illegible] the [illegible] Alabama [illegible] If [illegible] will [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible] the state should [illegible] the [illegible] rather than any individual [illegible] the investigation [illegible] within is bound to [illegible] [illegible] thing is all right Tuscaloosa Times Gazette

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One for Father and One for Son

It is worthy to note that in history Alabama has had two Lacy thefts One was by Isaac Vincent state treasurer in the administration of Governor [illegible] O'Neal The second is this great robbery occurring under the administration of Governor O'Neal's son Birmingham Ledger

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Sounds Like Dothan

If a man is found in Mobile with out money or occupation he is subject to arrest and punishment as a vagrant but if he is found pursuing almost any honest occupation without having first secured a license therefor he is also in danger of the pains and penalties of the law Fairhope Courier

Yes that is just of the history of a Mobile citizen commenting upon the license system says They call this fine a license but really it is a penalty for doing anything The gentleman who has retired and walks around the streets with his hands in his pockets living off coupons of his bonds or interest collected from his investments is allowed to go free but if some one wants to sell something chicken eggs butter or lard he is fined lately fined for such a thing This is in order that the city may have more money and of course this has a tendency to prevent business and it adds to the cost of living.

What can be done about it The city needs more money then it gets the license must rise higher and higher

Houston Texas solved the problem by adopting the Somers assessment system which brought in $50 000 increase of revenue yet instead of a decrease of the tax rate of five cents to 1 50 and all license taxes were abolished save those on liquor selling billiard rooms and like occupations There is no tax in Houston on trade and industry

Mention was made yesterday in the standing of Mr Frank Lummus by the city commission of Houston to study the governments of the progressive cities of Europe in order that Houston may learn yet more of the best forms of municipal administration Mobile would do well to send a representative to Houston there to learn what has been done and what application can be made to Mobile's situation It seems quite clear that we cannot promote by placing burdens upon the man of prosperity and that it is our duty to find out as soon as we can what we must do to better our condition and at the same time have sufficient income to conduct the city properly Mobile Register

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CHAPTER VII

The Confession of Faith

"Yet and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecutions."

Long days had elapsed since the young soldier had left his young friend, during which time they had been tossed full of anxiety and [illegible]

"I have just seen the general," said he. "Who sent for me to give me a message for you? Tell me what is this you have done?"

Marcellus then related everything from the time he had left until his return. Concealing nothing, not even whatever. His deep earnestness showed how strong, and that the impression was that had been made upon. He then told him this interview with the general.

"I entered the room feeling the importance of the step I was taking. I was about to commit an act of virtual treason, a crime which can only be punished with death. Yet I could do nothing, else. He received me graciously, yet he thought that I had met with some important success in my search. I told him that since I had left him, the Christians and from what I had seen of them I had been forced to change my feelings towards them. I had then let him know were enemies of the state to worship or death, but I found that they were loyal subjects of the emperor and citizens men. [illegible] but rather than do so [illegible]

"Soldiers! [illegible]

"[illegible]

"[illegible] more strong than [illegible]

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"[illegible] Lucullus. His friend greeted him most affectionately but was evident full of anxiety.

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"[illegible] Can you [illegible] why should you be attached [illegible] wretched doctrine of the crucified Jew?

"I have never been satisfied with the philosophy of which you speak. You yourself know that there is nothing certain for us on which the soul may trust. But the Christian religion is the truth of God brought down by himself and sanctified by his own death.

"You have thoroughly explained the whole Christian creed to me. Your own enthusiasm has made it appear attractive. I will confess, and if all its followers were like yourself, my dear Marcellus, it might be adopted to bless the world. But I come not here to argue upon religion. I come to speak about yours. You are in danger, my dear friend, your station, your honor, your office, your very life is at stake. Consider what you have done. An important commission was intrusted to you upon the execution of which you set out. It was expected that you would return bearing important information. But instead of this you come back and inform the general that you have gone over to the enemy and you are one of them in heart and that you refuse to bear arms against them. If the soldier refuses to say whom he will fight what is to become of the plan. He must [illegible] other. And I [illegible]

"You [illegible] Lucullus.

"The position for you to [illegible] [illegible] Christians [illegible] you will be [illegible] For as the thing stands now, you [illegible] be able for you to be a soldier and a Christian at the same time. One of the two must give way. And not only so, but if you decide upon being a Christian you must at once show it in order for an intercession can be made in your favor. On the other hand if you continue a soldier you must be [illegible] the Christians.

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In some parts, particularly in the Congo, the ant heaps convert an otherwise flat country into a hilly one. Beautiful ferns and tropical flowers cover these ant heaps. That they can

Ant Heap Converted Into a Lookout Station

also be turned to practical account is shown by the fact that some surveyors in the Congo have converted one into a look out station.

Lemon Sauce

A very nice lemon sauce is made by boiling together one cup of sugar, half a cup of water, the rind and juice of two lemons for ten minutes. Cut the yolks of three eggs, strain the sirup and stir the beaten eggs into it. Set the pan into a double boiler and heat quickly until the mixture is thick and smooth. Remove the pan from the boiler and beat for five minutes longer.

Lettuce and Pimento Salad

Get the canned pimentos [illegible] one cup each [illegible] in the [illegible] Be of a pimento [illegible] the middle, in the center a [illegible] these and fold the pimento over [illegible] Your French dressing [illegible]

Queen Fritters

Cool one fourth cup butter in one half cup water. Add [illegible] one half cup flour sifted with [illegible] and [illegible] from fire. Add two unbeaten eggs one at a time. Beat till smooth. Drop by spoonfuls into deep fat. Fill with apple sauce and sprinkle with sugar.

Cocoanut Jumbles

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EASTER GREETINGS.

"I am the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley."
"For lo, the Winter is past
The flowers appear on the earth,
The time of the singing birds is come."

. . . . . "Let a mild and sunny day,
Such as fall often, for a few bright hours
Breathe through the sky of March the airs of May,
Shine on our roof and chase the Wintry gloom
And let our borders show with maiden flowers."
"Consider than the lilies how they grow:
King Solomon, who lived beyond the seas,
In all his pomp of glory, pride of show
Was not arrayed like even one of these."

St. Cecelia Club Met With Mrs. Carmichael—

The St. Cecelia Club met with Mrs. D. C. Carmichael on yesterday afternoon, at its regular meeting at 3 o'clock. Hyacinths, scarlet sage and roses added brightness to the home whose open doors are always assurance of gracious hospitality. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. S. O. Williams, and response to roll call given with items of interest on current events in the musical world. The study of the afternoon was taken up on the opera "Lucia di Lammermoor." Mrs. Griffith relating the pathetic story of the opera in a most interesting manner. Mrs. H. C. Forrester and Mrs. Ethel Williams gave a spiritual and brilliant rendition of an instrumental duet which was followed by Miss Dell's artistic and effective vocal solo. Mrs. W. R. Forrester, whose presence at the piano is always appreciated, gave an unusually pleasing number which preceded Mrs. Gallemore's solo, given in her usual full and exquisitely modulated voice. Several numbers on the Victrola from Donizetti closed the program. It was the pleasure of the club to have as its guest Mrs. K. H. McCallum, who assisted Mrs. Carmichael in serving most delightful refreshments at the close of the afternoon. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Ethel Williams on April 3rd.

Attend the Palace Theatre tonight. In addition to the picture there will be selections by the High School Quartet, a vocal solo by Mrs. S. O. Williams, and selections by the orchestra.

NOTHING YET HEARD FROM ROBERTSON

Young Robertson, who is wanted in connection with the Floyd killing, which occurred near Ashford Monday night, has not been heard from yet, but Sheriff Hay expects to find reason this afternoon to believe he is on a chase.

SMALL FIRE THIS MORNING.

The fire department was called out this morning at 10 o'clock to a fire on Headland Avenue, which proved to be out of the city limits. No effort was made to extinguish it, the hose wagon not reaching the scene. What was burning has not been learned.

REUBEN PHELPS DEAD.

Aged Citizen of the West End of the County Passes Away this Morning at Seven O'clock.

Uncle Reuben Phelps, who lived near Dothan, died this morning at seven o'clock. Mr. Phelps was 82 years old, and had been a citizen of this section for many years.

Foster Street Sunday School will have charge of the Palace Theatre tonight. Good singing, good [illegible] and selections by the orchestra.

A. H. Walker, of Ozark, was in Dothan today.

FOURTH CLASS POSTMASTERS SICK ON EXAMINATIONS

Washington, March 20. Further of the extension of the classified Civil Service to include the fourth class postmasters and the announcement that postmasters of that class would be asked to qualify in a competitive examination, the executive department has been flooded with communications from the South.

At present resignations are reaching the department at the rate of about a score daily, and the officials declare that [illegible] Fourth class postmasters have resigned since the executive order placing them in the Civil Service was issued.

Practically all of the resignations are in localities where the postmaster's salary is merely nominal, and where at times the expense of conducting the office equals the postmaster's compensation.

The State of Alabama, Houston county.

Monroe Paper, Complainant, vs. William Merkle and H. F. Reid, Defendants.

In Chancery.

At Dothan, Houston County, Alabama, September 20, District Court Division.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Register by the affidavit of R. G. Parmer, attorney for complainant, that the Defendants William Merkle is a resident of Wabaunsee and that the defendant, [illegible] M. Reid, resides at Fitzgerald, Georgia, and that the ordinary process of law cannot be served on the said Defendants, and that the ends of justice demand that a publication be made, it is Ordered by the Register, that unless the said Defendants shall appear within three months from the date of this order, the said William Merkle, a defendant, to the bill of complaint filed in this cause on the 20th day of March, 1913, or in 30 days thereafter, the said Defendants will be taken as confessed.

Done at office in Dothan, Houston County, Alabama, this the 20th day of March 1913.

C. E. HARMON,
mch21-28-apr4. Register.

BARKLEY NOT INSANE SAYS CONVICT WARDEN

Montgomery, Ala., March 20.—[illegible] Barkley, the former president of the convict board who is serving a life sentence for murdering Mr. [illegible] Wood, in West [illegible] is not insane, according to Warden Thomas. Warden Thomas says he has been [illegible] with Barkley, the former president of the convict board who is serving a life sentence.

"Mr. G. Barkley is as sane as I am," said Warden Thomas, who is in Montgomery. "He is doing fine and has accepted his sentence and is going to work like a man. We do not anticipate any trouble in the way of management of Barkley. In fact, we do not have any trouble with any of our people at this time. His mind is as clear as anybody's. The boy has been good since he came here. He has had no troubles at all, physically or otherwise, except the loss of his son in the Montgomery county jail where he tried to kill himself."

The announcement that Barkley is regaining reason is a new action, the convicted man feigned the part of a lunatic for several months in the Montgomery jail. He was taken up to the mines about a month ago after he had withdrawn his appeal from the county court.

Barkley murdered his murder in the office of the state convict department last fall under the condition of the convict office. He is from Sylacauga.

The murdered man was a resident of Odenville, St. Clair county.

P. T. A. T. PROGRAM.

[illegible]

PREMATURE PREVENTION.

[illegible]

WAR TO BE SIGHTED ON CATTLE TICK

Washington, March 19.—Important changes in the work of eradication of the cattle tick may be made to follow the isolation of the quarantined territory, according to information just obtained at the United States Department of Agriculture.

This is the opinion expressed today by Dr. Pickens, of the Bureau of Animal Industry, who says that they have been discussed twice with the idea of a more rigid quarantine in certain, with a corresponding relaxation in other sections, and the cattle owners in the quarantined area are being educated to the advantages of the proposed change.

The quarantine may be stopped from the quarantined area and the certificate of an inspector of the bureau of Animal Industry that they have been dipped twice within the interval of seven days, to be accompanied by a certificate of the owner, stating that they are free from ticks, and under the supervision of an inspector that they are free from ticks in transit, with specific exceptions in cases where the ticks not of their kind. It will enable the individual farmer to benefit from his work, by the health to which he gives his [illegible] [illegible] the other interests. Instead of being a mere [illegible] it has come to be a matter of [illegible] dollars. Efforts which can be clearly focused in [illegible] and the [illegible] in [illegible].

[illegible] officially released from quarantine. The revised regulations indicate a desire of the department of agriculture to remove restrictions on the movement of cattle from the quarantine area so far as it may safely be done.

Coincidently with the promulgation of the more liberal regulations the department has decided the quarantine line, releasing large areas in the sections where eradication work against the tick has been carried on, and making the total for released since 1905 more than 187,000 square miles. Work against the tick is especially active in Mississippi, where at the close of the year 1912 there were 2,181 dipping vats in operation. In one county in this state there were 185 vats. Similar activity throughout the entire quarantined area would make the complete destruction of the tick only the matter of a very few years.

J. H. Cowart of Troy was in the city Dothan this night and a while yesterday on business.

P. S. Howell of Ozark, was in the city while Wednesday.

R. E. Oliver returned to his home in Montgomery today after spending several days in the city.

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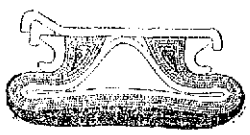

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